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I feel very strongly that the course of action the EPA is considering is one that takes corporate interests and profit into higher consideration than it does human life and the Willamette river. The EPA MUST select Alternative G, in order to fully and completely clean our river for future generations. This may and probably will involve additional dredging in areas of high ecological value, human use, or where these corporations that seem to have the EPA in their pocket are likely to recontaminate our river in order to secure higher profit margins.

The EPA needs set clear timelines and metrics for success, this must include an explicit and inflexible date by which Portland Harbor specific fish consumption advisories will be lifted. These advisories serve as a canary in the coal mine as to what level of contamination exists in our river, but can also be used as a marker to the progress being made by this necessary cleanup. This means that the EPA needs to find an alternative to their current cleanup plan that allows the river to be restored to a state that allows ALL people to eat fish caught there, including pregnant women and children.

The EPA should include heavily contaminated uplands as well as the river contamination to prevent future re-contamination via runoff.

The EPA needs to address all environmental justice issues and stop taking the lead of the corporations that sullied our waters to begin with. They must engage more effectively with the people living around the river, and to ensure that the jobs, economic benefit and any other benefits associated with the clean up of this Superfund site are benefits to OUR community. Not to corporations or outside contractors. Specifically, the EPA should seek to use the cleanup to provide added economic growth to low income, underserved communities that have been directly impacted by contamination in Portland Harbor.

EPA MUST eliminate the confined disposal facility which would create a permanent toxic waste dump in our river and create a permanent risk of complete recontamination.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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